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NEWS RELEASES

COMMISSION ACCEPTS FOR COMMENT A PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF CABLE RATE COMPLAINTS INVOLVING CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORPORATION. Report No: CS-98-4. by Order. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: March 20, 1998. (FCC No. 98-44) News Media Contact: Morgan Broman (202) 418-2358. CSB Contact: Cable Services Bureau: Marjorie Reed Greene at (202) 418-7200; Cable Services Bureau TTY number: 9202) 418-7172, FCC Call Center toll free TTY: (888) 835-5322. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/News Releases/1998/nrcb8005.txt

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: March 25, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG. Public Reference Log: 3/24/98. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt032498.pdf

Report No: CCB/CPD 98-22. Released: March 25, 1998. PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENTS ON TARIFFS IMPLEMENTING ACCESS CHARGE REFORM.Comments Due: April 2, 1998; Reply Comments Due: April 8, 1998. (DA No. 98-571). Dkt No.: CC-97-250.

Report No: 3633. Released: March 25, 1998. CABLE SERVICES ACTION. Contact: Cable Services Bureau: (202) 418-7000.

Report No: 1353. Released: March 25, 1998. CABLE TELEVISION RELAY SERVICE (CARS) APPLICATIONS RE: APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Contact: Cable Services Bureau: (202) 418-7000.

Released: March 25, 1998. STARPOWER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.Starpower Communications, LLC has filed its Notice of Intent to Establish an Open Video System to provide open video system service in communities of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. (DA No. 98-563). Contact: Cable Services Bureau: Carolyn Flemming at (202) 418-7200. News Media Contact: Morgan Broman (202) 418-2358. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Public Notices/1998/da980563.txt

Report No: DS-1826. Released: March 25, 1998. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public Notices/1998/pnin8076.txt

Report No: DS-1825. Released: March 25, 1998. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INFORMATION. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public Notices/1998/pnin8075.txt

Report No: TEL-141-A. Released: March 25, 1998. STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AND SECTION 310(B)(4) APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING.(Formal Section 63.18). Contact: International Bureau Reference Center: (202) 418-1492 or (202) 418-1493. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public Notices/1998/pnin8073.txt

Report No: 44205. Released: March 25, 1998. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/Brdcst Actions/ac980325.txt

Report No: 24205. Released: March 25, 1998. "BROADCAST APPLICATIONS." Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/Brdcst Applications/ap980325.txt

Released: March 25, 1998. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE PROCEEDINGS. Contact: Barbara Lowe at (202) 418-0310. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public Notices/Exparte/1998/ex980325.html

Released: March 25, 1998. APRIL 4, 1998, DEADLINE NEARS FOR TAX CERTIFICATES REGARDING RELOCATION OF MICROWAVE INCUMBENT LICENSES. (DA No. 98-568). Contact: Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: Jamison S. Prime at (202) 418-7474. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public Notices/1998/da980568.txt

Report No: LB-98-32. Released: March 25, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS DIVISION.PRICECELLULAR CORPORATION AND AMERICAN CELLULAR CORPORATION SEEK FCC CONSENT FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL; Persons wishing to file petitions to deny or formal petitions for other forms of relief, and other persons wishing to file comments: April 30, 1998; Opposition to petitions and other reply comments: May 11, 1998. Contact: Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Commercial Wireless Division: James Loughry or Elizabeth Williams at (202) 418-7240; Common Carrier Point-to-Point Microwave Service, Gettysburg, PA at (717) 338-2657. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public Notices/1998/pnwl8029.txt

SPEECHES

STATEMENT OF WILLIAM E. KENNARD CHAIRMAN FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ON SECTION 271 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996 BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION UNITED STATES SENATE. (Available After 2:30 pm) - March 25, 1998. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/Statements/stwek817.txt

STATEMENT OF WILLIAM E. KENNARD CHAIRMAN FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION'S FISCAL YEAR 1999 BUDGET ESTIMATES MARCH 25, 1998. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/Statements/stwek816.html

	TEXTS	

CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORPORATION. Adopted order soliciting comments on proposed resolution of complaints about rates for Cablevision Systems Corporation's cable programming service tiers in 127 franchise

areas. Action by the Commission. Adopted: March 20, 1998. by Order. (FCC No. 98-44). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/fcc98044.txt

TCI CABLEVISION OF ALABAMA, INC. Granted TCI Cablevision's petition for special relief claiming that TCI is subject to competing provider effective competition in Vestavia Hills, Alabama. Action by Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: March 20, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-549). CSB

ERIE COUNTY CABLEVISION, INC. Denied petition filed by Erie County Cablevision, Inc. seeking special relief to modify the Cleveland, Ohio ADI to exclude station WAKC-TV (ABC, Ch. 23), Akron, Ohio, from carriage on its Sandusky, Ohio area cable system. Action by Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: March 19, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-550). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da980550.txt

NORTH GEORGIA TELEVISION. Granted must carry complaint filed by North Georgia Television, licensee of low power station WDNN-LP (Ch. 47), Dalton, Georgia, against Comcast Communications, operator of a cable system serving the City of Calhoun, Georgia and surrounding Gordon County, Georgia, seeking carriage. Action by Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: March 18, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-540). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da980540.txt

MCLAUGHLIN BROADCASTING, INC. Granted the petition filed by McLaughlin Broadcasting, Inc. against Phoenix Concept Cablevision requesting mandatory carriage on its cable system serving certain communities in South Carolina. Action by Chief, Consumer Protection and Competition Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: March 19, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-542). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da980542.txt

MARK TWAIN CABLEVISION, L.P., D/B/A FANCH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Dismissed complaint filed against the cable programming service tier rates charged by Mark Twain Cablevision, in Bartholomew, IN because complaint concerns rates that are outside the jurisdiction of the FCC. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Division. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-564). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da980564.txt

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF REGULATORY FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998. Began a proceeding to revise Schedule of Regulatory Fees in order to collect the amount of regulatory fees that Congress has required FCC collect for Fiscal Year 1998. Dkt No.: MD-98-36. Action by the Commission. Adopted: March 13, 1998. by NPRM. (FCC No. 98-40). OMD Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Notices/1998/fcc98040.zip

ADDENDA: The following items, released March 24, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 56:

NEWS RELEASES			
FCC RETAINS THE MENU OF OPTIONS FOR C BLOCK PAYMENTS WHILE PROVIDING			
ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY FOR LICENSEES EXERCISING THESE OPTIONS. Report No: WT-98-8. by			
Order & 2nd R&O. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: March 23, 1998. (FCC No. 98-46) News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0500. WTB Contact: Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: David			
Shiffin and Rachel Kazan at (202) 418-0660. Internet URL:			
https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/News Releases/1998/nrwl8010.html			
PUBLIC NOTICES			

Released: March 24, 1998. COMMISSION EXTENDS COMMENT DATE ON THE APPLICATIONS OF AT&T CORPORATION AND TELEPORT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF TELEPORT TO AT&T, IN ORDER FOR PARTIES TO INCLUDE ANY COMMENTS ON BELLSOUTH CORPORATION'S MOTION TO DISMISS.Comments Due: April 1, 1998; Reply Comments Due: April 27, 1998. (DA No. 98-558). Dkt No.: CC-98-24. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/1998/da980558.txt

Released: March 24, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON PETITIONS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME OF THE LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY PHASE II IMPLEMENTATION DEADLINE. Time Warner Communications Holdings, Inc. NSD File No. L-98-46; Comments Due: March 30, 1998; Reply Comments Due: April 6, 1998. (DA No. 98-569). Dkt No.: CC-95-116. Contact: Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau: Jared Carlson at (202) 418-2350 or Patrick Forster at (202) 418-7061; TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/1998/da980569.txt

BLOCKING AND UNBLOCKING REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSMISSION OF CALLING PARTY NUMBER (CPN) FROM PARTY LINES. Addressed Petition for Reconsideration or Waiver filed by US West, Inc., two comments in support of the petition filed by Bell Atlantic telephone companies and BellSouth Corporation, and a Motion to Stay filed by BellSouth, concerning the Commission's caller ID blocking and unblocking rules. Action by Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: March 24, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-565). CCB Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Orders/1998/da980565.txt

REGULATORY TREATMENT OF LEC PROVISION OF INTEREXCHANGE SERVICES ORIGINATING IN THE LEC'S LOCAL EXCHANGE AREA AND POLICY AND RULES CONCERNING THE INTERSTATE, INTEREXCHANGE MARKETPLACE. Stayed April 18, 1998 deadline by which independent LECs currently providing in-region, interstate, interexchange services on an integrated basis must comply with the Commission's requirement that they provide these services through a separate affilate. Stayed 60 days after release date of the Commission's order on reconsideration in CC Docket Nos. 96-149 and 96-61. Dkt No.: CC-96-149, CC-96-61. Action by Chief, Common Carrier Bureau. Adopted: March 24, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-556). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Orders/1998/da980556.pdf

CAPITOL RADIO RADIOTELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. Denied the Petition to Dismiss or Deny filed on May 1, 1992, Capitol Radio's PLMS application for Athens, Ohio by Athens Business Communications, Inc.

Action by Acting Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: March 24, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-553). CSB

PAGER ONE OF FLORIDA, INC. Denied both the Petition for Reconsideration and Supplement to Petition for Reconsideration filed on June 17, 1996, and September 4, 1996, respectively, by Pager One of Florida, Inc. of the May 15, 1996, Order granting Pager One's application on frequency 931.6875 MHz. Action by Acting Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order on Recon. (DA No. 98-466). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da980466.txt

CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Upheld grant of application for new transmitting facilities in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service in Abilene, Midland and San Angelo, TX. Action by Acting Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order on Recon. (DA No. 98-465). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da980465.txt

CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Upheld grant of applications for new transmitting facilities in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service at Rio Grande City, Alpine and Del Rio, TX. Action by Acting Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order on Recon. (DA No. 98-464). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da980464.txt

COMMUNICATIONS PROPERTIES, INC. Denied the Petition for Reconsideration filed by Communications Properties, Inc., on April 18, 1997, seeking review of the grant on frequency 931.6625 MHz of CPI's application for additional facilities for use with Public Mobile Service License KNKS-218, Hope, Arkansas. Action by Acting Chief, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order on Recon. (DA No. 98-467). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/da980467.txt

AMENDMENT OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES REGARDING INSTALLMENT PAYMENT FINANCING FOR PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE (PCS) LICENSEES. Retained menu of options for C Block Payments while providing additional flexibility for licensees exercising these options. Dkt No.: WT-97-82. Action by the Commission. Adopted: March 23, 1998. by Order & 2nd R&O. (FCC No. 98-46). WTB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/fcc98046.pdf